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<b>RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT</b>  Address to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231	Attorney Docket Confirmation No.	UCAL-234 1891
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	Title	"Methods for Identifying Modulators of NF-KB Activity"

Sir:

This communication is Response to Restriction Requirement dated August 7, 2002 for which a one-month period for response was given making this response due on or before September 7, 2002. In view of the amendments to the claims and remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. A clean copy of the amended claims appears below with the amended version attached on a document marked "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

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[0011] There is a need for compositions and methods to modulate NF- $\kappa$ B activity, particularly agents that modulate NF- $\kappa$ B activity through a mechanism or pathway different from the NF- $\kappa$ B modulating agents currently available. Providing such agents expands the scope of methods for treating conditions associated with dysregulation of NF- $\kappa$ B activity, thus ultimately providing the clinician and the patient with alternative therapies. Thus, there is a need for methods for identifying agents that can modulate NF- $\kappa$ B activity through, for example, a pathway other than that involving regulation of interaction with I $\kappa$ B $\alpha$  and its components, or other extranuclear pathway. The present invention addresses this need.

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